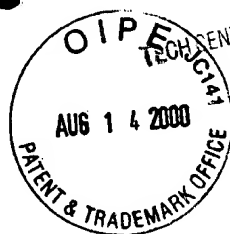


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In re application of: ZUKER et al.

Application No.: 09/361,630

Filed: July 27, 1999

Group Art Unit: 1645

For: NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING PROTEINS INVOLVED
IN SENSORY TRANSDUCTION

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Date: August 7, 2000

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Karen Iovino

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Enclosed is a petition to extend time to respond \$55.00.
☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
☒ RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

If any extension of time is needed, then this response should be considered a petition therefor.
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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDIT. FEE
x \$9.00 =	\$0.00
x \$39.00 =	\$0.00
+ \$130.00 =	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$0.00

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x \$78.00 =	\$0
+ \$260.00 =	
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☒ A fee of \$55.00 is due.

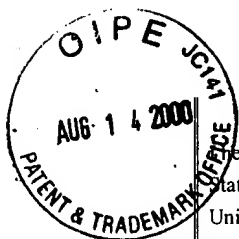
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Examiner: U. Winkler

Art Unit: 1645

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Art Unit 1645
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed June 7, 2000, Applicants elect to prosecute the Group I, claims 1-9, 15, 16, 32-40, 46, 47, 63-71, 77 and 78. For purposes of searching, Applicants also elect the species TCP#2 (SEQ ID NOS: 3, 4, 12, 13, 21, and 22). Claims 32-40, 46, and 47 read on the elected species.

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The foregoing election is made with traverse, as the seven groups set forth by the Examiner all stem from a common concept and theory, and are thus related. As such, prosecution of the claims of Groups I-VII would not place a substantially greater burden on the Examiner. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the Restriction Requirement and consider all the claims together.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Annette S. Parent".

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